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Excise Police, Sheriff's Deputies Shut Down Marijuana-Cultivation Operation

RUSHVILLE, Ind. (Sept. 26) – Officers from four police departments shut down a marijuana-cultivation operation in Rush County today.

Police served search warrants at two locations in Rushville today after an eight-week investigation by Indiana State Excise Police and the Rush County Sheriff's Department.

Excise police officers seized a significant number of marijuana plants, 21 guns (seven handguns, nine shotguns and five rifles), grow lights, hydroponic-growing equipment and a variety of other evidence in their investigation into a marijuana-cultivation operation in Rushville.

Shortly after noon today, officers searched a 40-acre farm at 5388 S. The Farm Road and a residence at 1148 W. Third Street in Rushville.

Officers arrested Marvin D. Miller, 48, of Rushville, on preliminary charges of marijuana cultivation and possession of marijuana, both felonies.

Officers also arrested Richard A. Moffett, 45, of Rushville, on preliminary charges of possession of marijuana and possession of paraphernalia.

Excise officers were assisted by the Rush County Sheriff's Department, Rushville Police Department and the Indiana State Police.

Indiana State Excise Police officers are the enforcement division of the Indiana Alcohol and Tobacco Commission.

All criminal and administrative-law defendants are to be presumed innocent until, and unless, proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.